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Protest

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DETROIT -The rip-off continues under State emergency manager Orr.

- 1. <u>Hitch hockey rink</u> takes \$1/3 billion from the State Education Fund.

 The City and State also pays to demolish the Joe/Cobo Hall Arena.

 The City cut the Hitch rent by 85%. (\$3 m to \$0.5 m) Bankrupt?
- 2. Penske M-1 Trolley takes \$68 m from public financing:

Detroit City - \$19 m

MDOT - \$40 m

Medical - \$9 m - Blue Cross, Ford Hospital, DMC

WSUniv. - \$3 m

This creates a 3rd transport system on Woodward artery.



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CANCEL THE <u>GRAND RIP OFF</u> TO PAY FOR THE <u>GRAND BARGAIN</u>

3 wasteful projects have been approved by Mr. Orr and Mayor Duggan.
These costly projects proceed while pensioners & tax payers sacrifice.

1. New Red Wing Arena - \$500 m

2. Trolley M-1

\$40 m

Michigan Dept. of Transportation

3. Sale of Real Estate

\$40 m

\$1 no bid sales on development sites

Details:

Ilitch gets Joe Louis Arena rent cut by \$15 m going back to 2010.
 The new hockey rink pays NO revenue/rent & property tax to the City.
 Also the lease is for 90 years and requires the City to pay millions for repairs.

The other 2 sports stadiums are not asked to pay like the DIA.

- 2. Penske's trolley system diverts money that should be used to fix the failed bus system to benefit the entire City. This added transit system will compete and disrupt the 2 current bus services.
- 3. \$1 no bid recent sales: Monroe Block Schostak Bros \$34 m parking
 Statler Hotel
 Riverfront Land
 Ice Arena

These abuses must be cancelled before any new money is gifted.

THE ARENA RIP OFF

The arena lease is hard to analyze because it was craftily written to obscure the rip off.

The Detroit Free Press Sunday, March 2, 2014 did a good job of disclosing some of the major faults. Close reading of the Ilitch lease shows additional details:

- Kick back City & State each get life time luxury suites & 12 tickets to all events (page #59 & #61 of lease)
- The "repair" gimmick illustrates the tricks slipped into the rip off deal (page #67) \$0.5 m is given back to Olympia. They slipped in this amount, "escalating at a rate of 4% per year (cumulative)" to the Repair Fund. (page #17) The repairs allowed even include "material improvement to attendee comfort." This includes cash paid by the City intended for the bonds. (page #40) The City provides cash!
- Other costs to the City are the following losses:
 - 1. Joe Louis asset demolished. (page # 106)
 - 2. Gift of Woodward Avenue land for free (page #21) valued more than \$3 m.
 - 3. Property tax cancelled on \$10 m. of Ilitch owned property
 - 4. Parking lot revenue from City land
- No payment due until the first hockey game in the "event center" (page #9 & #45)
 Try buying a home for no money down, let alone a \$1/2 billion home for the poor Red Wings.
- The project bonds pay the hockey team moving expenses. (page #36)
- The hockey team owner even owns the arena building plans. (page # 32)
- Etc.

This entire deal is so unfair to the bankrupt City. It should obviously be stopped.

Lawyers, such as Gov. Snyder, Mayor Duggan and Emergency Manager Orr who care about Detroit, should not let this proceed.

Judge Rhodes should block this asset transfer.

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■ Detroit Athletic Club:

\$8,040.

Center among those with overdue bills Hospitals, Science

O BY STEVE PARDO The Detroit News

iments. nice spring, has come. Detroit - The Detroit Water Sewerage Department on Wednesday released a list that reads like a who's who of Detroit could have their water shut 8 to about 15:000 but these compaousinesses it off se or late residents The

under criticism for focusing on noring big businesses with accounts that are more than two residents who are 60 days late or \$150 behind on payments but igmonths overdue.

cold The Detroit News it was One day after the department sending cutoff notices to more than 200 businesses, officials re-Those selected for shut-off and their 90-day late amounts ineased a more comprehensive list.

Ghildren's Hospital of Michin: 1143 Doubletree Fort Shelby: Hotel:\$1,318. clude:

■Michigan Science Center: ■ Music Hall Center for Per-■Blessed Sacrament Commu-■ Midtown Property Group: ■ Detroit Receiving Hospital ■ Cadillac Tower: \$156.

forming Arts: \$12,611.

nity Center: \$1,763,

"What we're looking for is dential - to bring them up to some cooperation from our cuscomers - commercial and residate,"

Latimer, the department's deputy

director, said at a press conference Wednesday. "It's not fair to

"We're trying to be responsible

to all of our customers." Darryl

our customers that are paying to Many of the larger commerappear multiple times on the list cial customers.—hospitals and medical centers, for instance. because their names are linked to ations. But, department officials zations overdue on their bills said, both large and small organiraise rates because of bad debts." several offices and satellite opershould be making arrangements to pay or risk a water shut-off.

department spokesman

Bill Johnson said. "The point is and bring their account up to they are in shut-off status. What we want them to do is pay the bill

Joe Louis Arena and other ventures from the Hitch Olympia list, buy water department offi-cials said Wednesday afternoon they believe the accounts are up Entertainment empire are on the Many of the high-profile com-

which could delay any shut-offs.
"The Detroit Medical Center panies may dispute the claims

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prides itself on paying all utility officials said in a statement Wednesday, "We are reviewing the notification we have received stances where we are delinquent bills in a timely manner, hospital and as we review, if there are in-ਤ and not in dispute, we will

tainly comply. However, we need to review the list and go through our own accounting to ensure no The department announced mistakes were made."

in March it was starting an aglecting more of the millions owed by residents and businesses with gressive campaign aimed at coldelinquent accounts.

As of June 30, the department had 176,879 active residential accounts. The more than 80,300 ac-

more totaled \$43.4 million. The counts delinquent by 60 days or department began cutting off water in the spring when the weath er warmed.

More than 22,735 accounts in industrial. Their overdue amounts total \$33.8 million, acthe city are listed as commercia cording to the department.

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Keport says adviser firm would reap \$28 fee after bankruptc

BY ROBERT SNELL AND CHRISTINE FERRET

The Detroit News

cally slashing retiree pension and health care billion in debt in bankruptcy court by dramat costs, according to new figures that emerged Thursday ahead of a trial over Detroit's res Detroit — The city expects to dump about \$ tructuring plan.

fers the most detailed picture yet of Detroit's municipal bankruptcy in U.S. history. The re-A report obtained by The Detroit News of plan to successfully emerge from the biggest port by city adviser Kenneth

mpact on Detroit's bottom **3uckfire also highlights the** ine and how the moves would ree up cash to reinvest in cit

fire & Co., a \$28 million fee if who would pay The report sheds light on the rising bankruptcy tab for Buckfife's firm, Miller Bucktaxpayers,

Detroit emerges from bankruptcy ber, and issues a globmy warning creditors opposed to the plan.

"If the city's bankruptcy case is dismissed ... its creditors will not be insulated from the city's financial chaos and ruin," he wrote.

The city wants to cut unfunded pension obligations by 54 percent and health care costs losses tied to a failed pension debt deal backed Along with cuts to certain bondholders and would eliminate more than \$7 billion in deb by 89 pergent, according to Buck

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